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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Group: 1600

Serial No.: 09/480,389

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For : Immunoassays to Detect Diseases or Disease Susceptibility Traits

AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL AND  
PETITION AND FEE FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the Office Action mailed from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) on July 14, 2004. Applicants petition for an extension of time for a total period of one month to respond to that Office Action which concerns the above-identified application. A response in connection with the matter for which this extension is requested is filed herewith.

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A request for payment by credit card of the fee for a one-month extension of time under 1.17(a)(1) accompanies this transmittal.

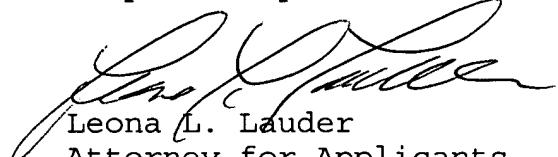
No additional fee should be required for the accompanying response. The fee for claims has been calculated as shown below:

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TOTAL	34	MINUS	50	= 0	X \$ 18	\$ 0.00
INDEP.	1	MINUS	3	0	X \$ 88	\$ 0.00

[ ] FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM + \$300 \$ 0.00  
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Respectfully submitted,



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